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Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Please **AMEND** the claims as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

1.   (Original) A method for facilitating the purchase of fractional lottery tickets using a point-of-sale terminal, comprising:

determining a monetary value;

selecting a ticket record that includes a set of ticket numbers;

purchasing at least one lottery ticket based on the monetary value and the set of ticket numbers after the step of selecting; and

outputting the ticket numbers and a fractional lottery ticket value that is based on the monetary value.

2.   (Original) The method of claim 1, in which the step of determining a monetary value comprises:

determining a monetary value based on an amount of change due for a purchase.

3.   (Original) The method of claim 1, in which the step of selecting comprises:

creating the ticket record.

4.   (Original) The method of claim 1, in which the step of selecting comprises:

selecting a ticket record randomly.

5.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

receiving a signal indicating selected ticket numbers.

6.   (Original) The method of claim 5, in which the step of selecting comprises:

searching a plurality of ticket records to select a ticket record that indicates the selected

ticket numbers.

7.   (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

increasing a total value amount of the selected ticket record in accordance with the

fractional lottery ticket value.

8.   (Original) The method of claim 7, further comprising:

adjusting an amount to round up based on the increased total value amount.

9.   (Original) The method of claim 1, in which the step of selecting comprises:

selecting a ticket record having an amount to round up at least as great as the fractional

lottery ticket value.

10.   (Original) The method of claim 1, in which the step of selecting comprises:

determining a set of ticket records that each have an amount to round up at least as great

as the fractional lottery ticket value; and

selecting a ticket record from the set of ticket records which has a minimal amount to

round up.

Claims 11-27 (Cancelled)